GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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SHORTAGE OF PROFESSORS IN MEDICAL COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of colleges to which permission has been given by Medical Council of India (MCI) during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) whether some of the medical colleges are unable to find qualified professors to meet the requirement of MCI;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMDOSS)

(a) to (d) Based on the teaching and other infrastructural facilities available at a medical institution/college and the recommendations of Medical Council of India (MCI) thereon, permission is granted by the Central Government for the establishment of new medical college. The State-wise list of medical colleges, which have been permitted by the Central Government for being set up during the last three years, i.e. 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 are at Annexure-I. As per MCI inspection report on medical colleges there is a shortage of teachers in pre-clinical and para-clinical subjects of Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Pharmacology, Forensic Medicine and Community Medicine. The State Governments and Medical Colleges are being encouraged to start more postgraduate courses in these disciplines. Permission is also given by the Central Government to applicant institutions to start these courses.